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| In re Application of: |) PATENT |
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| Herbert THANNER, et al. |) GROUP: 1795 |
| Serial No.: 10/588,790 |) EXAMINER: SCULLY, Steven M. |
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| DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE OPERATING PARAMETERS OF INDIVIDUAL FUEL CELLS OR SHORT STACKS OF FUEL CELLS |) CONFIRMATION NO. 9774 |

<u>RESPONSE</u>

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 December 23, 2009

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 2, 2009, the applicants elect the Group V invention (claims 69-78).

The applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications to the non-elected inventions in the future.

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